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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

## Initial Comments

Claims 1-35 are pending in the present application. The drawings are objected to because of a reference numeral. Claims 1 and 6 are objected to because of an informality. Claims 1, 6, and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,654,722 (Aldous). Claims 2-5 and 10-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aldous in view of U.S. Patent 6,604,075 (Brown). (Applicants note that Claims 7 and 8, although not explicitly rejected in the first paragraph of section 3, are apparently rejected for the same reasons as Claims 3-5, as indicated in subsequent paragraphs of section 3.)

Claims 1, 6, and 9 are amended herein. Claims 16-35 are added.